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Applicant: Norbert Taufenbach
Group Art Unit:
Examiner:
Title: CO₂ Slab Laser
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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371, the Examiner is advised that a certified translation into English of the above identified German language application is enclosed herewith along with a copy of the above referenced Notice.

The above referenced Notice also sets forth a requirement for filing of an Oath or Declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.497(a) and (b). The Examiner is advised that this Declaration was filed on August 10, 2001. A copy of the Declaration, applicant's attorney's transmittal and our return post card evidencing receipt of these documents by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 15, 2001 is enclosed herewith.

Lastly, applicant's attorney is also enclosing herewith a certified copy of the prior German application from which the PCT and present application claim priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Enclosed is the originally signed German Language Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above identified application. Also enclosed herewith for filing in this application is an executed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status - Independent Inventor. Please enter these documents into the file.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 08-0750. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

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I have carefully made the translation appearing on the attached and read it after it was completed; and said translation is an accurate, true and complete rendition into English from the original German -language text, and nothing has been added thereto or omitted therefrom, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

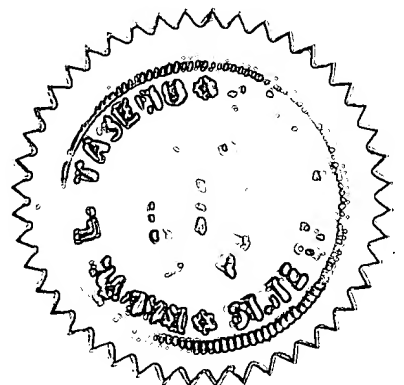
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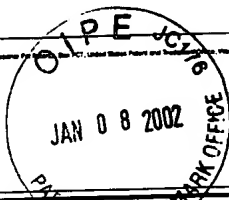
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination
- Small Entity Statement

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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